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SUBJECT: WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE - FOLLOW-UP

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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARIES BUFFUM AND ENDERS FROM MARTIN

1. SURPRISING LEBEL TELLS ME NINE HAVE AGREED ON FOLLOW-UP PROPOSAL. COMMITTEES 1 AND 2 AS IN CANADIAN DRAFT TRANSMITTED REFTEL. COUNCIL ELECTED BY ECOSOC FOR THREE YEAR PERIOD (PREFERABLY WITH SMALLER MEMBERSHIP THAN ECOSOC) ALTHOUGH ECOSOC/COULD POSSIBLY ELECT ITSELF AS COUNCIL. WOULD MEET AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL IN CASE OF EMERGENCY. FUNCTIONS AS IN PARA 4 OF CANADIAN TEXT. SECRETARIAT PROVIDED BY FAO. POSSIBILITY OF CDP TYPE GROUP OF FOOD EXPERTS NOT DISCUSSED BUT PROBABLY ACCEPTABLE ADDITION.

2. THIS WEAK IN SEVERAL RESPECTS BUT PROBABLY CLOSEST TO GENERAL ACCEPTABILITY NOW AS 77 POSITION CLEARLY MOVING TOWARD CENTER THROUGH NO ASSURANCES YET THEY CAN AGREE ON ANYTHING. DRAFTING MEETING POSTPONED AGAIN THIS MORNING AS 77 STILL DEBATING. WOULD ESTIMATE THAT OTHER GROUP B COUNTRIES LIKELY BE ABLE TO FOLLOW NINE IF THIS ONLY POSSIBILITY OF ACTION AND RECEIVES 77 SUPPORT. PLEASE ADVISE URGENTLY. VOLPE

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